

Lombard dialect of Italian, These original colonists, however, seem to have come from Northern rather than Southern Italy; the place-names of Sicily, indeed, seem to have been brought from many districts of the peninsula, and its dialect is full of words from the central and northern parts, *

An unamiable character is given to the Lombard population of Italy by Paleandus, and to those of Sicily by other historians of the time. To

Paleandus, whose pages are one long lament over the growing hostility of the races to one another, the Apulians are "a race always delighting in novelties who, if you order them to march to battle, will begin to fly before the war-standards

are uplifted/¹ Again they are ⁴¹a most fickle

people, always seeking after liberty, but unwilling

to keep it when once secured, who think little

in war, and cannot be quiet in jHWc*.¹* PCTlupg

the character of the Lombards did much to justify the cruelties of Roger II. in Apulia.

The Lombards of Sicily are, to PCThmdttt, like

their brothers in Apulia, faithless fickle, and prone

to any crime; he draws a vivid picture of the

atrocities perpetrated by them on the unattending Moslems after Maio's death (i 160),

how Roger

SelavuB and Tapered of Lerce retired
to Buterit
and other Lombard towns, and led the
Latin
colonists, who were only too willing, in
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of raids upon the 8arucen*t who lived
along with
the Christian population j in these

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* VWSji A&uui, 5, Z>. *il*,_t HI., p, taa, **aad**